quires similarly circumstanced nonveterans enrolled in the same program to pay, or (B) $404 per month for a full-time course, whichever is the lesser.";

(3) in section 1732(b), by striking out "$304" and inserting in lieu thereof "$327";

(4) in section 1732(cX2), by striking out "computed" and all that follows through the end of the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof "$327 for full-time, $245 for three-quarter-time, and $163 for half-time pursuit";

(5) by amending section 1732(cX3) to read as follows:

"(3) The monthly educational assistance allowance to be paid on behalf of an eligible person pursuing an independent study program which leads to a standard college degree shall be computed at the rate provided in subsection (aX2) of this section for less than half-time but more than quarter-time pursuit. If the entire training is to be pursued by independent study, the amount of the eligible person's entitlement to educational assistance under this chapter shall be charged in accordance with the rate at which such person is pursuing the independent study program but at not more than the rate at which such entitlement is charged for pursuit of such program on less than a half-time basis. In any case in which independent study is combined with resident training, the educational assistance allowance shall be paid at the applicable institutional rate based on the total training time determined by adding the number of semester hours (or the equivalent thereof) of resident training to the number of semester hours (or the equivalent thereof) of independent study that do not exceed the number of semester hours (or the equivalent thereof) required for the less than half-time institutional rate, as determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, for resident training. An eligible person's entitlement shall be charged for a combination of independent study and resident training on the basis of the applicable monthly training time rate as determined under section 1788 of this title.";

(6) in section 1732(cX4), by striking out "section 1682(e) of this title" and inserting in lieu thereof "paragraph (3) of this subsection";

(7) in section 1732(e), by inserting before the period the following: ", except that the references therein to the monthly educational assistance allowance prescribed for a veteran with no dependents shall be deemed to refer to the applicable allowance payable to an eligible person under corresponding provisions of this chapter or chapter 36 of this title, as determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs";

(8) in section 1733(aXD, by striking out "benefits" and all that follows through the end of the paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof "assistance provided an eligible veteran under section 1891(a) (if pursued in a State) of this title and be paid an educational assistance allowance therefor in the manner prescribed by section 1691(b) of this title, except that the corresponding rate provisions of this chapter shall apply, as determined by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to such pursuit by an eligible person.";

(9) in

section 1734(b), by striking out "1786 of this title" and inserting in lieu thereof "1786 (other than subsection (a)(2)) of this title and the period of such spouse's entitlement shall be charged with one month for each $404 which is paid to the